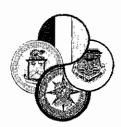
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#### **PREFACE**

### 1. Scope

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Table 2. Mortar Weapons Capabilities

| Table 2. Mortal Weapons Capabilities |                     |                     |                                 |                                   |                  |                            |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------|----------------------------|
| GUN/<br>MORTAR                       | MAX<br>RANGE<br>(m) | MIN<br>RANGE<br>(m) | MAX<br>RATE OF<br>FIRE<br>(RPM) | SUSTAIN-<br>MENT<br>RATE<br>(RPM) | AMMO             | FUSES                      |
| 60mm                                 | 3500                | 70                  | 30                              | 20                                | HE, WP,          | PD.<br>VT.<br>TI.<br>delay |
| 81mm<br>M252/<br>M29A1               | 5800/<br>4790       | 80/70               | 30/25                           | 15/8                              | HE, WP,          | PD,<br>VT,<br>TI,<br>delay |
| 107mm<br>M329A2                      | 6840                | 770                 | 18                              | 3                                 | HE, WP,          | PD,<br>VT,<br>T≀<br>delay  |
| 120mm                                | 7200                | 200                 | 15                              | 4                                 | HE, WP.<br>ILLUM | PD,<br>VT,<br>TI<br>delay  |

Table 3. Targets and Suggested Ammunition

| TARGETS                             | SHELL/FUSE |  |  |  |
|-------------------------------------|------------|--|--|--|
| Personnel or Light Vehicles         | DPICM      |  |  |  |
| Covered Positions or Heavy Vehicles | DPICM      |  |  |  |
| Vehicles or Personnel               | HE/VT/MT   |  |  |  |
| Bunkers                             | HE/CP      |  |  |  |
| Armor, Bunkers                      | Copperhead |  |  |  |

Table 4. Artillery/Mortar Illumination Factors

| WEAPON | SHELL TYPE | HOB (m) | BURN TIME<br>(SEC) | RATE OF<br>Fall<br>(m/SEC) |
|--------|------------|---------|--------------------|----------------------------|
| 60mm   | M83A1      | 160     | 25                 | 6                          |
| 60m m  | M83A2/3    | 160     | 32                 | 6                          |
| 81mm   | M 301A3    | 600     | 60                 | 6                          |
| 105mm  | M314A2     | 750     | 60                 | 10                         |
| 105mm  | M314A3     | 750     | 70-75              | 10                         |
| 107mm  | M 335      | 700     | 60                 | 10                         |
| 107mm  | M 335A1    | 700     | 70                 | 10                         |
| 107mm  | M335A2     | 400     | 90                 | 5                          |
| 155mm  | _M 118     | 750     | 60                 | 10                         |
| 155mm  | M 485A     | 600     | 120                | 5                          |